



Called to Serve

Profiles of CDSP's 2011 Graduates



Church Divinity School of the Pacific



In these pages you will be introduced to many of the members of the Class of 2011 from Church Divinity School of the Pacific. These snapshots of the students contain a picture, contact information, a personal narrative statement and an abbreviated resume.

As you will discover these men and women possess a variety of gifts and experiences that make them well qualified for ministry in the 21st century. They are already strong leaders and are eager to continue their journeys wherever the Holy Spirit will lead them. Some have been ordained to the diaconate and anticipate ordination to the priesthood in the spring or summer, others will be ordained deacons in the coming months, while others are either still in an ordination process or seek lay ministry opportunities.

CDSP and her faculty and staff have not been alone in preparing these individuals for ministry. Parishes and discernment committees, clergy, bishops, Commissions on Ministry, lay mentors, and communities of faith have been partners with us. I am deeply grateful especially to the alums of CDSP who introduced all of our students to the seminary and who have been mentors to them in their faith journeys. Please keep all of these fine men and women in your prayers, and if you know of job opportunities, please be in touch with them or with me. We know that it is a challenging time in the church for those seeking full time employment, and the networking you do on their behalf is a great gift to us all.

On behalf of all of us at CDSP thank you for your continued support of theological education. We are blessed to be ministering with you.

Many blessings,
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Note: Participation in *Called to Serve* is optional. In some cases, students who choose not to participate have already been placed or have not been released by their dioceses to search nationally.

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Postulant for Holy Orders



All things are possible to him who believes.

Mark 9:23

I was raised in western Nebraska in an area where trout streams are plentiful. I had never been out of the state for more than a few weeks until I entered the military. Upon returning to

my home state from active duty overseas with my wife, Karen, and our son we began teaching careers that spanned thirty-five years. I imagined myself at retirement age lazily wandering the stream banks just enjoying the peace and quiet after what would be many years of teaching and coaching teenagers.

Somewhere along the line God and Father Barnds interrupted my well-laid plans and I was introduced to the beauty of the liturgy of the Episcopal faith at St. Timothy's and discerned God's call. It has been a long and varied journey teaching in four states including a sixteen year hiatus in the desert.

Although I have become impatient, often questioning God why it was taking so long, I believe I am where God has led me in order for me to use the gifts with which He has blessed me. At one point when I had become quite discouraged, Karen gave me a plaque with the phrase from Mark 9:23. It is a reminder that my life is in God's hands.

Ministry Objective

I am looking forward to continued ministry in the Diocese of San Joaquin as we rebuild and renew.

Summary of Qualifications

- People person with the ability to establish a good rapport easily
- Relaxed, good natured attitude
- Strong speaking skills

Noteworthy

Accomplishments

- Eucharistic Minister for 13 years
- Chosen by student body to serve with six teachers counseling high school students
- Nevada Lay Minister Certification for the Methodist Church
- Volunteer City Recreation Director for summer youth programs
- Athletic coach for 25 years
- Computer Support Tech for the Blue Eye, Missouri School District

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, St. Anne's Church, Stockton, CA: preaching, liturgical leadership
- Seminarian, Church of Christ the King, Riverbank, CA: preaching, helped train Eucharistic ministers and acolytes, participated in Eucharistic visitations
- Parishioner, St. Anne's Church, Stockton, CA: Vestry member, Treasurer, Altar Guild member, fundraising and stewardship

Other Employment

- Teacher, public education, 35 years as classroom instructor of mathematics and athletic coach

Other Experience

- Four years, United States Marine Corp, working with the Naval Security Group; received 3 meritorious promotions
- Served on state level curriculum development committees for Nebraska state history and the Nevada mathematics curriculum
- Served as master teacher for college interns for 15 years

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
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Aspirant for Holy Orders



The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet.

Frederich Buechner

As long as I can remember I have had a deep and abiding relationship with God that has seen me through difficult

times in my life with faith and hope. As I look around at the world today I see people who are hurting and hungry for the kind of relationship with a loving and faithful God that has sustained me through most of my life. I want to make the Episcopal Church a place where they encounter that God and experience the life- and world-changing transformation such a relationship can bring. I believe our tradition allows space for many and diverse ways of meeting God within its theology and its liturgy, but feel called to explore new ways of experiencing and embodying church, to meet the needs of all people. I am particularly passionate about how the church can serve the disenfranchised and marginalized.

I am willing to go wherever God calls me, and excited to explore non-traditional ministry, either outside the established church, in a non-traditional congregational setting, or in a traditional congregation that would like to explore alternative ways of being.

Ministry Objective

To bring all people into relationship with God, inspiring and motivating real transformation, while exploring new and innovative ways of experiencing and embodying church.

Summary of Qualifications

- Compelling and inspiring preacher, and extemporaneous speaker
- Empathetic and intuitive pastoral presence
- Innovative, creative and visionary, able to inspire and motivate
- Compassionate and understanding; relate well to people from diverse backgrounds
- Quick learner; able to “think out of the box,” adroit at grasping possibilities
- Well developed sense of humor; takes self lightly

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Established and managed own business
- Developed and implemented women's spirituality group at state psychiatric hospital
- Co-founded CDSP chapter of Episcopal Evangelism Network
- Successful grant-writer
- Organized successful capital campaign

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Walnut Creek, CA: preaching, teaching confirmation classes, theological study of program sized congregation
- Chaplain Intern, Napa State Psychiatric Hospital, CA
- Parishioner, St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Brentwood, CA: Senior Warden, Contemporary Music director, delegate to Diocesan Convention, Lay Eucharistic

Minister & Visitor, liturgical planning, Capital Campaign/New Building chairperson

Other Employment

- Instructor, Mad Science Mt. Diablo, Concord, CA: science program for elementary age children; after school classes, camps, workshops
- Owner, Brentwood Wine Store; retail business and wine bar
- Berkshire Social Services, Reading, UK: crisis intervention social worker, child protection and mental health specialist

Other Experience

- Episcopal Evangelism Network representative, Episcopal Village emerging mission event
- Participant, Building Beloved Community, Diocese of Louisiana: immersion program on grassroots community organizing and inter-faith relief work
- Diocese of California: East Contra Costa Area Ministry Team; Search Committee for 8th Bishop
- American Red Cross, trained & experienced disaster relief worker
- East Contra Costa County Homeless Coalition

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- Seattle University, Seattle, WA: Pastoral Leadership Certificate
- Cardiff University, Cardiff, UK: Certificate of Qualification in Social Work, BSc (Econ) in Social Administration & Social Work

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**And the Spirit of God was moving
over the face of the waters.**

Genesis 1:2

God's Spirit rests in all people and all of creation and is constantly moving us, changing us and bringing us closer to God's self.

I have a passion for helping people to seek and recognize God where God is speaking. This takes place both within the institution of the church and outside in the rest of the world. God can be found in God's own creation and in the works of humanity. Youth, like all people, are engaged in the workings of the world and like all people, youth can find God's truth in literature, movies, and their neighbors. My goal is to help youth take what they recognize as God in all of creation and fulfill the dismissal after Eucharist to love and serve the world. In this way youth can move with the Spirit bringing the kingdom of God to the world.

I continue to enjoy the support of my wife Daria and our wonderful rescue animals Ella, our cat, and our playful pit bull, Karma.

Ministry Objective

To serve and facilitate a small urban or rural youth group hungry for spiritual nourishment and community and focused on local ministry and justice.

Summary of Qualifications

- Youthful and energetic
- Adaptable, can adjust plans to circumstances or environments
- Compassionate, sensitive to people's needs
- Builder of strong relationships
- Strong leader and organizer, experience managing volunteers
- Strong commitment to community outreach and social justice

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Created and led Bible and book studies
- Planned diocesan youth pilgrimages and backpacking trips
- Created and led group for older children of seminary students
- Fourteen years as Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Lay Preacher

Church Employment/ Experience

- Youth Minister, St. John's Church, Ross, CA: 300+ families, facilitate Youth Group activities and fundraisers and plan summer mission trip
- Seminarian, St. John's, Ross, CA
- Co-Youth Minister, Cornerstone Covenant Church, Turlock, CA: 100+ families, facilitated Youth Group activities and ran high school boys' Bible study

Other Employment

- Field Manager, Citizens Campaign for the Environment: organized canvassers; canvassed neighborhoods; focus on protecting our environment
- Substitute Teacher, Turlock Unified School District: taught all grades but mostly high school
- Field Staff, Boys and Girls Club of Western Nevada: planned and organized daily activities for club members
- Tutor, America Reads: helped underprivileged children K-4 get to age appropriate reading levels

Other Experience

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific: Treasurer, Celtic Cross, CDSP's mission branch for fundraising and grant distribution; Episcopal Relief and Development seminary representative
- St. Martin de Porres Soup Kitchen, San Francisco, CA: serving the local homeless population food and supplies
- Modesto Gospel Mission, Modesto, CA: organized youth group hospitality and feeding of homeless

Education History

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
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Ordination to the transitional diaconate anticipated summer 2011



I am an immigrant to the Christian faith.

Growing up, my only exposure to Christians came via door-to-door religion peddlers and folks whose opinions about God were surprising enough to earn them a place on television. I must have known Christians who weren't on TV or knocking on doors, maybe they were my neighbors

or my classmates, but none of them identified themselves to me. And so, lacking any evidence to the contrary, I grew up convinced that Christianity was predicated on anti-intellectualism, a fascination with sin, and a poor sense of humor.

I probably would feel the same way today but for a miraculous accident of love: in my early twenties I met and, later, married the daughter of an Anglican priest. Through our marriage, I experienced Christians whose witness was about reasoned moral action and passion for God. This startled me. And it led to my conversion.

My experience of coming to faith, of realizing that the spirit was already at work in me and that the Anglican tradition could nurture my ongoing conversation with God and with my neighbor, is one of the great gifts of my life. It is a gift that has invited me into a community of healing, belonging, and meaning. It is a gift that I want to share.

Ministry Objective

To serve as a clergy person in a multi-generational parish which sees its mission as proclaiming the Gospel through vital liturgy, challenging education, lively and fun fellowship, and loving outreach.

Summary of Qualifications

- Vibrant, story-based preacher, illuminating where the Gospel meets daily life
- Calm, pastoral listener, asker of gently searching questions
- Passionate and empowering Christian educator
- Natural and empathetic connection with the unchurched
- Extensive and effective leadership in not-for-profit and volunteer sectors

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Participant in two preaching conferences
- Published articles in the Diocese of New Westminster's Topic, Christ Church Cathedral Vancouver's Contact, CDSP's Crossings, the Preaching Excellence Program anthology, and the arts periodical, The Cultch Quarterly
- Designed and led courses employing Postcard Stories and Theatersports

Church Employment/ Experience

- Program Coordinator, The Sorrento Center, Sorrento, BC: facilitated workshops and worship, created promotional materials, made strategic recommendations, led group activities
- Field Education, All Souls Episcopal Church, Berkeley, CA: preaching and teaching for children and adults, liturgical leadership, strategic planning, committee and budget work, retreat leader

- Parishioner, Christ Church Cathedral, Vancouver, BC: stewardship committee chair (increased pledges by 20% and giving by 12%), parish council, delegate to synod, preacher, Sunday school teacher
- Clinical Pastoral Education, Sojourn Chaplaincy, San Francisco General Hospital

Other Employment

- Stage Manager and Technical Director: prepared budgets, managed staff and volunteers, negotiated collective agreements, worked with architects and other professionals in the renovation of a heritage building. Employed by Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, Festival Vancouver, Vancouver East Cultural Centre, and the Canadian National Tour of Rent

Other Experience

- Actor and playwright, member of a championship improvisation team
- Bicycle commuter, hiker, sailor, and rock climber
- CDSP: Student Ombudsperson on Board of Trustees, member Academic, Worship, and Community Life committees, MC for "follies" variety night
- Father of two small children

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
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I envision a church that would be as Wes Frensdorff said, a “ministering community rather than a community gathered around a minister.”

As people of God we are called to boldly live into Jesus’ Great Commission by seeking to meet unmet spiritual and social needs of the local community in new and daring ways. My training as

a mathematician imparts the skills to organize and efficiently set out to accomplish goals, to discern what is right. Thinking in a clear and precise manner enabled me in my time as senior warden to work in a leadership role facilitating others to accomplish goals in the wider community. My training as a counselor has taught me to listen with empathy, the ability to bear the pain, yet to be a comforter and encourager so that others can move on to wholeness and a vision of hope.

My desire is to continue to use these life skills of organizing, leadership and counseling to make Christ known in new and transforming ways.

Ministry Objective

To train and lead faith communities to proclaim by word and action the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to invite others into Christian fellowship.

Summary of Qualifications

- A calm, listening presence
- Ability to set goals, devise plans, organize and attend to details
- Skilled educator, motivator and inspirer of others
- Seeker of the spiritually lost
- Planter of seeds to build Christian communities
- Trained in faith based community organizing

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- President, Seminary Chapter of Daughters of the King
- Organizer and leader, Anglican Rosary Group
- Senior Warden during time of transition
- Presenter and teacher In-service at college, local and national levels
- Designer and leader of alternative liturgical events
- Leader, organizer, and fundraiser of parish Navajo Mission trips

Church Employment/ Experience

- Sacristan, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: Eucharistic ministers and new student orientation teacher; design, schedule, facilitate liturgy
- Seminarian, St. Clement’s Church, Berkeley, CA: Christian Formation teacher for adults and children, preacher, Quiet Day leader, pastoral care provider, outreach coordinator of youth projects
- Chaplain, Clinical Pastoral Education, Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, OH

- Parishioner, Church of the Ascension, Middletown, OH: Senior Warden, Eucharistic Visitor, delegate to diocesan convention, Southern Ohio Lay Leadership Institute, Appalachian Ministries, Alpha leader, Healing Prayer Team coordinator, Via Media facilitator

Other Employment

- Middletown City Schools, Middletown, OH: mathematics and computer teacher, college, career and personal counselor

Other Experience

- Episcopal Evangelism Network Conference
- Church Divinity School of the Pacific: Episcopal Relief and Development seminary representative; Resident Advisor; member Worship and Admissions committees
- “Inclusivity-Exclusivity” course, Ripon College Cuddesdon, England
- Christian Listening Conference, St. John’s Cathedral, Hong Kong
- Sacred Space, Place, and Architecture, Canterbury, England
- Facilitating Profound Organizational Change, Diocese Southern Ohio

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
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- Miami University, Oxford, OH: BA Mathematics

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**I sought your nearness,
With all my heart I have called you,
And, going out to meet you,
I found you coming toward me.**

Yehuda Halevi

About ten years ago God's call and my heart found a meeting point. Apparently God couldn't get my attention in any other way, so the

message came through hospice patients. As I went about my hospice volunteer duties, listening as people made meaning of the lives they were about to shed, I heard a sacred whisper. Attending to this whisper brought me into deeper faith and a call to ordained ministry within the Episcopal Church. Fortunately, Katie, my partner of over thirty years, was willing to uproot her comfortable life in Portland and come with me to Berkeley and CDSP.

It would be a sacred privilege to preside in this ministry and bring God's forgiveness, absolution and strength in Christ's Eucharist to those who might find this a blessing at the end of their lives. It would also be a benefit to bring my gifts, as a representative of the Episcopal Church, into our wider pluralistic world. I also have a background in Interfaith studies which allows me the potential to be a meeting place for God's conversations from many different perspectives.

Ministry Objective

To be a hospice or hospital chaplain and supply or associate parish priest.

Summary of Qualifications

- Patient
- Compassionate
- Persistent
- Sense of Humor
- Disciplined

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Completion Certificate, Spiritual Director program, Center for Spiritual Development
- Completion Certificate, Sacred Art of Dying program, Sacred Art of Living Center
- Board member Arthritis Foundation
- Hospice Volunteer, Legacy Health Systems: in-home, bereavement ministry
- Poster presentation of Physical Therapy Master's Thesis: American Gerontological Society
- Finished four marathons

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, St. Augustine's Church, Oakland, CA
- Seminarian, Holy Trinity/La Santissima Trinidad, Richmond, CA
- Seminarian, Church of the Good Shepherd, Berkeley, CA
- Seminarian, An Episcopal Ministry to Convalescent Homes (AEMCH): participated in and conducted chapel services for nursing home residents, served as Secretary for the Board of Overseers
- Chaplain, Clinical Pastoral Education, Alta Bates Summit Medical Center, Berkeley, CA

- Parishioner, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Portland, OR: Lay Eucharistic Minister and Visitor, member and secretary LGBT Committee, member Pastoral Care Committee and Pastoral Care Commission

Other Employment

- On-call Chaplain, Alta Bates Medical Center, Berkeley, CA
- Geriatric physical therapist specializing in home health, Oregon
- Business owner, Circle of Life, Portland, OR: assisted people and their families in the dying process
- Administrative work, food brokerage and non-skilled nursing facilities

Other Experience

- Certified Self-Help class leader, Arthritis Foundation: specializing in osteoarthritis and fibromyalgia
- Square dancer
- Dances of Universal Peace

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- The Chaplaincy Institute for Arts and Interfaith Studies, Berkeley, CA: Certificate, Interfaith Chaplain Program
- Pacific University, Forest Grove, OR: MS Physical Therapy
- Marylhurst University, Marylhurst, OR: BA English

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Ordination to the transitional diaconate anticipated summer 2011



**You are sealed by the Holy Spirit
in Baptism and marked as Christ's
own for ever.**

The Book of Common Prayer

The first time these words fell upon my ear they resonated deep in my heart and soul, moving me to tears. There's something so powerful in being claimed by Christ as his, as

God's own, not just on the day of one's Baptism, but in fact forever!

With this blessing comes enormous responsibility, responsibility that we can only live into in community with one another. In my own spiritual journey, it was when I allowed myself to become fully a part of the community, to worship, work, play, cry, pray, laugh and learn that I was able to truly witness and experience that seal of Baptism in its fullness.

I am a passionate leader who is excited about the work of the Spirit in our churches and in the larger community. I am committed to making the Gospel message transparent in the lives of all of God's children, wherever they may be on their spiritual journey.

Ministry Objective

To minister with the people of God, in a diverse congregation committed to being Christ's heart and hands in the world.

Summary of Qualifications

- Innovative leader
- Passionate and engaging preacher
- Technologically savvy
- Organizationally astute
- Conversationally bilingual (English/Spanish)

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Girl Scout Silver and Gold Awards and Lifetime Member
- Served consecutive terms as President of the Self-Governing Association, Bryn Mawr College

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, St. Anselm's Church, Lafayette, CA: preacher, liturgical leadership, Altar Guild, pastoral care, co-leader of women's retreat
- Chaplain, Clinical Pastoral Education, John Muir Medical Center, Concord, CA
- Assistant Chaplain, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO: administrative, retreat planning, liturgical leadership, programming, interfaith dialogue
- Diocese of Missouri: Integrity, Oasis, Art and Soul Café, Dismantling Racism
- Parishioner, St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, PA: Rite 13 leader, vestry member

Other Employment

- Manager, Crate and Barrel: personnel development and training, maintain large ordering budget, inventory control, exceptional customer service

- Assistant, Alumni/ae and Church Relations Office, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA

Other Experience

- Trained EfM mentor
- Mission/immersion work: Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Los Angeles (received Seminary Consultation on Mission grant)
- Outreach: HIV/AIDS, LGBT youth, and hunger issues
- Church Divinity School of the Pacific: Class President, member of Board of Trustees' Community Life Committee, "Body of Christ" small group co-leader
- Participant, Episcopal Church Latino Ministries' Seminarian *Encuentro* and *Nuevo Amanecer* conferences
- Bryn Mawr College: Hall Advisor, Overnight Hostess Coordinator, Multicultural Student Center Committee, Diversity Committee, Board of Trustees, Badminton Team
- Girl Scouts of the USA: National Technology Advisory Team and the National Steering Committee for Triennial Convention

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
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Ordination to the priesthood anticipated summer 2011



When you attend to the way the dawn comes, you learn how light can coax the dark.

John O'Donohue

It is through the ministry of all baptized that we are able to meet one of the greatest missions of the Church: to help heal a broken world.

We all have different ministries and they are all equally valuable and needed if we, as the Church, are to be a healing force in the world. Our unique ministries are God's gifts that help us see Christ in others. They change and grow through the years but are evident in what brings light and life to us and the lives of others. People can be unaware of how beautiful and important their gifts are, thinking they are too secular or even ordinary. Personally, I have a passion for people and seeing Christ's love in the world. I've discovered that when grounded in a place of personal hospitality, this gift manifests itself in an ability to share my passion for life through listening deeply and recognizing the gifts of others. As people come to understand that they personally are, and have, gifts, they can more fully join into the Church's healing work.

I am happily, by nature and circumstance, able to live and serve anywhere I am called.

Ministry Objective

To serve in a multi-generational faith community seeking to grow beyond numbers, through a commitment to sharing what it is to be deeply loved by God.

Summary of Qualifications

- Adaptable, good-natured, deeply prayerful in approaching ministry
- Strong, insightful preaching, skills
- Sensitive and caring pastoral approach, excellent team building skills
- Particularly gifted in recognizing gifts and dreams of others and helping them bring them to fruition
- Great sense of humor, strong commitment to social justice and community outreach

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Level One Trainer on Diocesan Commission to Dismantle Racism
- Summer volunteer, Episcopal Relief and Development Cross Country Fund Raiser
- Served in a variety of roles in pastoral to program sized parishes in the US and UK

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, St. Andrew's Church, Fulham Fields, London: preaching; led school assemblies; assisted: Homeless Project, Alpha course, Fruit & Vegetable co-op, Mom & Toddlers' services, home visits, Arts Festival
- Chaplain, Churchill Hospital, Oxford, UK
- Seminarian, St. Mary and St. Nicholas Church, Littlemore, Oxford: preaching, led Community Fun Church, assisted Sea Scouts Christmas program
- Seminarian, St. John's, Valle Crucis, NC: summer preaching

internship

- Parishioner, Holy Cross, Valle Crucis, NC: coordinated foster care respite project, developed Opening the Church Doors ministry, member Daughters of the Kings, taught Christian Formation

Other Employment

- Affiliate Graduate Faculty, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC: New Media
- Assistant Professor of Education, Lees McRae College, Banner Elk, NC
- University WebMaster, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC

Other Experience

- Co-Grant Recipient, cross-cultural immersion study abroad for pre-service teachers in India
- Award Winning Documentary, A Case of You, delving into the topic of love and long-term relationships
- Free lance artisan: sculptor, designer, photographer, videographer

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- Ripon College, Cuddesdon, United Kingdom
- Appalachian State University, Boone, NC: BA Theatre Arts, MA Media Production, EdD Educational Leadership

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Aspirant for Holy Orders



**And did not Jesus sing a psalm that night
When utmost evil strove against the light?
Then let us sing, for home he won the
fight: Alleluia!**

“When In Our Music God is Glorified”
by F. Pratt Green

Together, music and faith have enriched and directed my life and ministry these many years. I came to faith through family, community, and

an expression of acceptance and belief. I was baptized and grew into conviction, but I had that faith challenged by the death of a parent. After some time away from the church, I found acceptance and an openness to asking the hard questions of faith and life within the life of liturgical churches.

As an active church musician, I have been able to be involved in liturgical planning and ministry to those in my care. I have felt drawn to go deeper, answering the call to pastoral care with others and openness to ordained ministry within the church. My call is to find a place where my ministry to others and to the life of the church can match the gifts and passion I bring.

My journey in ministry includes my wife, Robin, who is a fine organist, and our son, Jonas.

Ministry Objective

To serve in planning and implementing liturgy and music that allows the Gospel to speak to this new day, building community and spreading the love of Christ.

Summary of Qualifications

- Compassionate, working with the heart of a servant
- Pastoral musician who likes working with people
- Goal oriented and problem solving
- Gifted with formulating around the liturgical year
- Self-starter who enjoys group ministry

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Music director, San Joaquin Re-Constituting Convention
- Director of summer music camp for children
- Music director, joint Lutheran/Episcopal Ascension Service
- Youth hand bell trips

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, Trinity Cathedral, Sacramento, CA
- Director of Music, St. John's Episcopal Church, Lodi, CA: direct parish choir, began Youth Handbells and Choristers, summer music camp director, Brass and Festival Choir director, Lay Eucharistic Minister and Visitor, youth leader
- Director of Music, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lodi, CA: Chancel Choir director, Peals of St. Paul director, Contemporary Singers for Christ, Incredible Wednesday Children's Program director, Youth Bells, Confirmation Bells
- Director of Music, Trinity Lutheran Church, Fresno, CA: Chancel

Choir director, Peals Praise director, Joyful Noise, Trinity Singers director

- Alleluia Program director, Good Vibrations Bells, Confirmation Bells, 2nd Octave Bells

Other Experience

- Chair of Bellenium Handbell Conference, San Jose, CA
- Member, ALCM (Association of Lutheran Church Musicians)
- Member, ALCM National Conference Committee, Seattle, WA
- Co-Chair, ALCM Region IV Conference, San Francisco, CA
- Treasurer, ALCM National Conference, Houston, TX
- Secretary/Treasurer (Region IV) of ALCM
- Member, Secretary, Lodi High Band Boosters
- Producer, Musical Concerts, The Arts at St. John's Concerts
- Member, Stockton Chorale Master Chorale
- Member, Sierra Pacific Synod Assembly Planning Committee, ELCA
- Director, Massed Ringers, Sacramento Spring Ring

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- California State University, Fresno, CA: MA Music, with Distinction, Choral Performance Recital
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An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.”

Luke 2:9-10

For much of my life, I have been one of those shepherds, a little bit terrified. When I felt a call to work with God's people, I started volunteering in the nursery. As a mother of two, I was no longer terrified of babies.

And yet, the gifts I felt qualified to offer were never all the gifts God was calling me to share. Over and over again, angels have come along, saying fear not. Fear not, and write for the newsletter. Fear not, and teach people reconciliation. Fear not, and open the Word. Fear not, and welcome the homeless and people whose language you do not speak. Fear not.

I am humbled by the fear that God has taken from my life and look forward to the unfolding opportunities to be that angel for others, saying, “Fear not. There is good news and it will bring you great joy.”

Ministry Objective

To serve with a parish based ministry team devoted to the collaborative unfolding of the baptismal ministry of all Christians in their daily life and work.

Summary of Qualifications

- Collaborative leader experienced in volunteer wrangling
- Gospel based preacher emphasizing action-oriented faith
- Patient and empathetic listener
- Transformer of ideals into executable programs
- Creator of safe places for reconciliation and forgiveness

Accomplishments

- Volunteer Coordinator for bilingual, tri-cultural elementary school
- Liturgical Consultant for trilingual, multi-cultural East African church plant
- Host church coordinator for rotating family homeless shelter

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, St John's Episcopal Church, Ross, CA: Family Ministry Team member, liturgical assistant, preacher, curriculum development for tweens
- Parishioner, St. David's Episcopal Church, Portland, OR: Lay Reader, preacher, created weekly Evening Prayer and Lection Divina, delegate to diocesan convention, facilities host and building coordinator, parish liaison for Sudanese Christian Fellowship
- Parishioner, Holy Innocents, San Francisco, CA: created Holy Week program for children and families

Other Employment

- Assistant Apartment Manager, Westland Management, Portland, OR

Other Experience

- Diocese of Oregon: Trainer and materials developer, member Commission to End Racism
- Church Divinity School of the Pacific: Community Council Secretary, international student mentor, representative to Seminarian Leadership Conference
- Host congregation coordinator, Human Solutions, Daybreak Family Shelter, Portland, OR: responsible for coordinating 35+ volunteer a week, site hosting for families
- Leonard R. Flynn Elementary School, San Francisco, CA: helped create weekly bilingual newsletter, developed translation services with bilingual parent volunteers
- Metro-East Convocation School for Ministry, Portland, OR: lay preaching
- Kaleidoscope Institute, Los Angeles, CA: participant at Winter Institute
- Participant, Acorn Christian Healing Foundation, Hong Kong: Christian listening training

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
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Postulant for Holy Orders



Consider three snapshots of the 21st century church:

A red-doored church stands on the corner of the well-kept neighborhood; from the open doors wafts the scent of incense into the courtyard, through the lychgate and onto the busy high street.

In a former corner drug store the enthusiastic congregation sings hymns standing amidst metal folding chairs; their vicar claps and sings along before a cross constructed of railroad ties.

Neighbors gather around the altar of an inner city church, they discuss the death of a cyclist killed in a nearby traffic accident. The victim wasn't a congregant, but the community will gather at the church for the memorial service.

The church of the 21st century is the church of the ancient and modern. It is ancient as it continues the traditions of our Anglican tradition; serving the people of God through word and the sacraments, our belief in the creeds, and brought together by our baptismal covenant with God and one another. It is the modern because it includes people I see as I walk roads outside the church walls. Worshiping together in ways known and not yet known, let us grow the church together.

Ministry Objective

To serve God in building communities of faith through shared Christian witness.

Summary of Qualifications

- Enthusiastic liturgical leadership
- Deeply rooted in the traditions of the church, yet interested in emerging forms of worship
- Quiet, strong pastoral presence to all members of the parish community
- Committed to building community in parish life
- Committed to building the spiritual, prayerful community
- Experienced in preparing and reading non profit budgets

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Convener of Absalom Jones celebratory Eucharist, Diocese of California
- Founder and Convener, Annual Welcome for Seminarians, Afro-Anglican Commission Diocese of California
- Forum on Multi-Cultural and Inter-Cultural Conversation, Center for Anglican Learning and Leadership
- Devoted husband and father

Church Employment/ Experience

- Clinical Pastoral Education Extended Unit, San Francisco General Hospital, CA
- Seminarian, Holy Cross Church, Castro Valley CA: Co-chair of Labyrinth Committee, homilist, Lay Eucharistic Minister, small group leader
- Parishioner, St Mary the Virgin, San Francisco CA: Lay Eucharistic Visitor and Minister, Deanery

delegate, Outreach Committee Co-Chair, Lay Leader of 'Unplugged' Service

- Diocese of California: Chair, Afro-Anglican Commission; Co-Convener, Racial Reconciliation Task Force; member, Multi-Cultural Roundtable; Board Member, St Dorothy's Rest Summer Camp; Member, Peace, Justice and Hunger Commission

Other Employment

- Accountant, Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences, Berkeley CA
- Manager, Controllers Services, Bechtel Corporation, San Francisco, CA

Other Experience

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific: member, Admission and Diversity committees, Board of Trustee's Committee on Student Life
- Member, National Urban Caucus, Black Clergy Triennial, Union of Black Episcopalians, Bay View Mission Food Bank
- Member, The Beatitudes Society, Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences
- Board Member, Synergy School, San Francisco; Families on Track, South San Francisco; Corporator, Lyndon Institute, Lyndon, VT

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
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I felt the quickening of my first born child as I danced the Annunciation before the altar of Holy Spirit Parish. I felt the quickening of my call to priesthood as I danced Jesus' resurrection appearance to Mary Magdalene in the high pulpit of Grace Cathedral.

I have discovered that in the process of sharing my gifts, first as a liturgical

dancer and now as a priest, I have opened myself to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit in surprising and powerful ways.

Gifts abound in our parish and school communities. How might we better support one another in discerning these gifts in the quickening of new life and the quickening of God's call, within and among us? In particular, how might we more graciously receive the manifold gifts of the children and youth in our communities? And how might we more generously share our gifts with them in return?

These are among the core questions that I will bring to the community God calls me to serve as a parish priest and/or school chaplain. Along with these questions, I will share my passion for creative liturgy, preaching, teaching, listening, and learning.

Among the many gifts that continue to shape my ministry are my husband and our two young daughters.

Ministry Objective

To use my gifts as pastor, preacher, teacher, and liturgical leader to support members of a parish and/or school community in discovering and sharing their gifts through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Summary of Qualifications

- Dynamic, creative, engaging preacher
- Organized, responsive, effective teacher
- Graceful and power-filled liturgical leader
- Committed advocate for and companion with youth
- Strong, insightful, imaginative writer
- Quick and eager life-long learner

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Developed multicultural Arts Camp and Teen Leadership program serving 100+ underserved youth each summer
- Developed and taught "Youth Ministry on the Move", a January intersession course for the Graduate Theological Union
- Led diocesan clergy in imagining the future of the church through a movement workshop

Church Employment/Experience

- Youth and Family Minister, St. Gregory of Nyssa, San Francisco, CA: preaching, teaching, liturgy, youth, children, parents
- Transitional Deacon, Church of the Epiphany, San Carlos, CA: led planning for new alternative service, Vacation Bible School
- Chaplain Intern, St. Paul's School, Oakland, CA: chapel, teaching, service learning

- Pastoral Associate for Youth and Family Ministries, St. Stephen's Church, Belvedere, CA: pastoral care, family service, confirmation, mission trips, Godly Play, summer arts camp outreach, grant-writing, newsletter and communications
- Chaplain, Presbyterian Hospital, Albuquerque, NM
- Parishioner, All Souls Church, Berkeley, CA: youth leader, Christmas pageant director

Other Employment

- Instructor, Graduate Theological Union (GTU): Youth Ministry on the Move, Dancing the Gospel of Peace
- Teaching Assistant, GTU: Introduction to Christian Worship, Introduction to Liturgical Dance, Sacred Dance for Healing
- Dance and drama teacher, Youth Arts Studio
- Retreat and workshop facilitator
- Omega West Liturgical Dance Company
- Massage Therapist

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: CAS and CTS
- Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA: doctoral coursework in liturgical studies
- Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, CA: MA Liturgy and the Arts
- University of Utah: BFA Ballet

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Where is God? Where do we go to hear the voice of God still speaking? The answer isn't obvious, not to me and not to millions of people in our world. God often seems absent, silent and distant to our lives.

But I seek after God anyway, not because the answer is immediately apparent or the paths clearly marked, but because, like so many others, I

cannot do otherwise. God is still speaking, but in the din and chaos of our world there are few places safe to open our hearts and minds to God's embrace.

The Episcopal Church is such a place, and in times of change and uncertainty, my conviction is that the church can be a welcome oasis for the seeker, the skeptic and the faithful alike, a place to search for the divine presence and to answer the call of the Gospel in a way that is real and transformative to their lives.

My goal is to preach and teach in ways that help open the hearts and minds of seekers to the voice of the Spirit, to nurture the part of our souls that is restless until it rests in God.

Ministry Objective

To serve as an associate rector, helping to lead a Christian community in worship, prayer and service through sacred liturgy, passionate preaching and dynamic educational and service ministries.

Summary of Qualifications

- Powerful and dynamic preacher dedicated to inspiring others in their spiritual journey
- Gifted communicator, writer and speaker
- Passionate evangelist seeking to make ancient traditions relevant in a Post-Modern world
- Deliberate and thoughtful leader
- Committed to Christian scholarship and education

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Seminary Consultation on Mission Grant Recipient: visited Church of South India parishes across the Sub-Continent
- Excellence in Ministry Scholarship Recipient
- Heaton/Franks Prize in Religious Studies
- Recipient of several leadership awards

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, St. Paul's Church, San Rafael, CA: adult education organizer, liturgical leader, frequent preacher
- Chaplain Intern, University of California-Davis Medical Center, Sacramento, CA
- Missioner/Treasurer, Celtic Cross Society: led seminary student grant-writing organization
- Seminarian, St. Clement's Church, Berkeley, CA: developed and led adult education programming, regular preacher

Other Employment

- Front Office Assistant, Church Divinity School of the Pacific: Helped develop and maintain student database, hospitality and reception ministry
- Publicist and Web Editor, Hobart and William Smith Colleges: developed material for public relations and maintained Colleges' Web site
- Freelance Journalist, Spartanburg Herald-Journal, Spartanburg, S.C.: authored series of articles on local religious leaders
- Hobart and William Smith Colleges: Communications Intern, Computer Technician

Other Experience:

- Extensive travel in Europe and South Asia
- Member of CDSP Admissions Committee, responsible for recruitment of prospective students
- Small group leader: "Being the Body of Christ"

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY: BA with Honors in Religious Studies

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Si comprehendis, non Deus est.

St. Augustine

“If you understand it, it is not God.”
St. Augustine, for all his faults, knew wonder.

Despite reports to the contrary, there has never been a better time to be a Christian. In the mystery of God born as a baby, crucified, and yet triumphant over death, I have discovered the truth of my own life. It is not my life after all but the life of the world. The Life That Never Goes Away is throbbing through the universe like an eternal heartbeat, and if we are still enough to listen we will hear it echo in our own being as well. It is the sound of wonder.

Wonder is the space out of which communion emerges; communion with God and with each other. My vocation is to build community that finds its center in the Eucharistic mystery of Jesus Christ. As we pour out our lives in love we are filled with the life that never dies. It is community formed by prayer, sacrament, story, and the sublime beauty of creation and our own creativity. My place in the church is to serve this vision of liturgy, the work of the people of God, which explodes from the encounter with Mystery into the crevices and corners of our days and lives.

Ministry Objective

To facilitate the emergence of prophetic Christian community in a parish, neighborhood or residential setting through transformative spiritual formation, contemplative practice, sacramental life and liturgy, imaginative engagement with scripture, nonviolent action and pastoral presence.

Summary of Qualifications

- Deep commitment to personal life of prayer and contemplative formation within the Christian tradition
- Experienced educator and facilitator of intentional community, contemplative practice and the art of nonviolence
- Passionate appreciation for the sacramental life of the church and an ability to facilitate transformational encounter in diverse liturgical pieties
- Conscious, perceptive and adventurous leader comfortable out in front, alongside and behind
- Inspired and engaged preacher and teacher of scripture, theology and spirituality
- Compassionate, non-anxious, and grounded pastoral presence

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Co-founder, Community of the Reconciliation: intentional, contemplative urban community with innovative ministry
- Full-time supply pastor responsible for liturgy, preaching, education, pastoral care, and staff coordination for pastoral-size congregation
- Award winning public speaker; Preaching Excellence and Beatitudes Society Prophetic Preaching conferences
- Captain, 15 ice hockey teams; Outreach Outdoor Leadership program

Church Employment/ Experience

- Oblate, Incarnation Monastery, OSB Camaldolese

- Chaplain, San Francisco General Hospital, CA
- Supply Pastor, St. Philip's Anglican Church, Victoria, BC
- Anglican Chaplain, University of Victoria, BC
- 20s and 30s Pastor, Diocese of British Columbia: community building, brewpub ministry, outdoor ministry, parent groups, scripture and theology study, pastoral care, worship creation
- Mentor, national residential Leadership and Theology program for youth

Other Employment

- K-7 humanities and math teacher, Oak and Orca Bioregional School, Victoria
- Montessori Teacher, Honduras
- Sub-unit commander and drill instructor, Fort Henry Guard, Kingston

Other Experience

- Facilitator and Associate, Pace e Bene Nonviolence Education Services
- Paddler, hiker, lover of wild things, dogs and sports of all kinds

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- Association Montessori Internationale, Toronto, Canada: Primary Education Diploma
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We must strive to understand fundamentally and very exactly why the Heart of God became man, why he had to die, enter into death, and break his life in death, and then bring it through the world of fire into the world of glorious light; and why we must follow him.

Jacob Boehme,
The Human-Becoming of Jesus Christ

I was reawakened to my life in Christ after encountering the Crucified-and-Risen Lord in the Rite I Eucharist of the Episcopal Church. Since that moment, I have struggled to be attentive and open to the presence of the God of Israel revealed in Jesus of Nazareth and realized through the power of the Holy Spirit.

While some say that we live in an age of diminished Christianity, I disagree. We live only in an age of diminished Christendom. Indeed, the luminous power of the Gospel has never been brighter. God's "No" to our false security and confidence is also God's "Yes" to our true hope and call in Christ Jesus. I hope to serve a parish community as we struggle together to proclaim this redeeming truth to the world.

I bring alongside me in ministry my wife Catherine, who is a practicing veterinarian and a trained percussionist.

Ministry Objective

To work in a parish and to serve God's people through a ministry of prayer, sacrament, preaching, outreach, and formation for Christian living.

Summary of Qualifications

- Committed to a life of prayer and to the reading of Holy Scripture
- Competent and conscientious leader, liturgist and preacher
- Great love of learning, teaching and the meeting of faith and intellect
- Strong organizational, time-management, and administrative skills
- Faithful to the disciplines of discernment, confession and reconciliation

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Co-founder of an intentional, contemplative community
- Convener, CDSP chapter of the Episcopal Evangelism Network
- Designer and co-leader, "Dawn, Day, Dusk and Dark" a young adult retreat for the Diocese of Nevada
- Student of Japanese art and religion, Kansai Gaidai University, Osaka, Japan

Church Employment/ Experience

- Member, The Community of the Reconciliation, a residential contemplative community, Berkeley, CA
- Seminarian, All Souls Church, Berkeley, CA: liturgical leadership, preaching, youth ministry, outreach
- Clinical Pastoral Education Chaplain, Holy Family Hospital, Methuen, MA

- Assistant Program Director, Camp Galilee Episcopal Camp and Conference Center, Glenbrook, NV
- President, Canterbury Club, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH
- Member, St. George's Church, Durham, NH
- Member, St. Peter's Church, Carson City, NV

Other Experience

- Prefect, Parsons Hall Dormitory, Church Divinity School of the Pacific
- President, Middler Class, Church Divinity School of the Pacific
- Participant, Preaching Excellence Program
- CDSP Representative, Seminarian Leadership Conference
- Writing Tutor and Teaching Fellow, University of New Hampshire
- Residential Life Assistant, University of New Hampshire

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA: MA Christian Spirituality
- University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH: BA Religious Studies and Anthropology, minors in Philosophy and Asian Studies

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Aspirant for Holy Orders



Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.

Matthew 25:40

I count myself among those who have faced chronic illness. During those times of solitude and occasional loneliness, I was blessed with a passion for and commitment to serve those who are sick and isolated. Christ's grace and mercy are greater than any challenge, physical or otherwise. Gratitude for God's faithfulness provides me with a seedbed of faith, hope and love for both myself and others.

Throughout my Clinical Pastoral Education internship, my heart readily connected with those who were desperately sick or lonely. I believe the bringing of the Good News of the Gospel to those who are often forgotten to be an integral aspect of my ministry. This healing ministry is relevant in clinical, parish and area ministry settings. I also seek to utilize video and computer technology to bring together those who worship in a parish setting with those who are physically unable to do so in order to strengthen the body of Christ and increase koinonia.

As a faithful servant of Christ, I am humbled by my call to service. I will follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit wherever it may lead me.

Ministry Objective

To share Christ's hope with those who suffer, whatever the reason, through proclaiming of the Gospel and a fearlessly-loving and justice-seeking ministry guided by the Holy Spirit.

Summary of Qualifications

- Creative and innovative approaches to service in a changing world
- Compassionate, non-anxious pastoral and spiritual care
- Able to initiate and facilitate helping relationships across diverse populations
- Authentic, prophetic preacher
- Strong leadership skills, vital team player, catalyst with perseverance

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Founder, Fab 40+, a sisterhood of social activity and support for women seminarians over forty
- Member, Committee for the Fireside Chat, a series of speakers from the Graduate Theological Union who share their spiritual journeys
- Managed own business for five years
- Avid gardener of chili peppers and heirloom tomatoes

Church Employment/ Experience

- Resident, Clinical Pastoral Education, Stanford Hospital and Clinics, Palo Alto, CA (4units): spiritual care for mental health patients and their families
- Seminarian, St. Paul's Church, Oakland, CA: liturgical leadership, developed grant to fund media capability for live video feed of worship service to parish's seniors' residence tower, preaching

- Chaplain, Clinical Pastoral Education, Stanford Hospital and Clinics, Palo Alto, CA: Intermediate ICU, 24 hour on call rotations

Other Employment

- Project Coordinator, Smoke Free Living for African Americans, Sacramento, CA: created and led county-wide social marketing campaign
- Owner, Kimberly's Fine Catering, Sacramento, CA: managed, created and delivered food services to many clients

Other Experience

- CDSP: Episcopal Relief and Development seminarian representative, Co-creator of Lenten Soup Dinners' fundraiser; Diversity Committee member; President and Dean's Office employee
- National Church: Episcopal Church Women, Union of Black Episcopalians

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- Union Institute & University, Sacramento, CA: BA Business Administration

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The true face of God is shown to us in the humanity of Jesus.

Edward Schillebeeckx

In a changed and changing world, we who have been called by Christ have been called to lead it into the love of Christ. We meet Christ in each other, friend and stranger, and in the sacraments of the church. We

share our lives and our stories with one another as we grow in the knowledge and love of God the Creator. We are called into life and work in the ongoing ministry of the Holy Spirit. This is the story of the church, and I am grateful for the opportunity to serve it.

I am excited to bring my years of studying narrative and storytelling as ways of understanding God's work in our lives to help congregations become confident in sharing their own stories with one another and with a world hungry for reconciliation and God's love. I look forward to bringing this work and my experience in traditional and creative liturgy to welcome both lifelong Episcopalians, the generations estranged from faith and the church, and everyone in-between.

The Episcopal Church has never before had such an opportunity to preach the Gospel, and I am ready to help it to do so.

Ministry Objective

To serve a lively, mid-sized congregation in bringing the Gospel to a changing world by way of prayerful, engaging liturgy, challenging preaching, education, and Christian formation.

Summary of Qualifications

- Strong, good-natured, and adaptable leader, confident and non-anxious in conflict
- Wide-ranging, traditional, and playful liturgical sense
- Keen intellect, and a gift for spiritual reflection
- Creative theologian with deep roots in the wisdom of the tradition
- Active and patient listener, comfortable minister to all ages
- Lively sense of humor, clear, engaging teacher
- Compelling, theologically and pastorally grounded preacher

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Collaborated to develop and host community storytelling events
- Organized and led theologically diverse Theology on Tap community
- Extensive study of the intersections of faith, narrative, and culture including undergraduate and master's theses

Church Employment/ Experience

- Deacon, All Souls Parish, Berkeley, CA: Open Door Dinner volunteer, preacher
- Chaplain, Camp Stevens, Julian, CA
- Seminarian, St Gregory of Nyssa Church, San Francisco, CA: youth group leader, Food Pantry worker, preacher
- Campus Minister, St Thomas Church, Hanover, NH: mission trip leader

- Campus Missioner, Diocese of San Diego
- Chaplain Intern, The Bishop's School, La Jolla, CA: Ethics and substitute New Testament teacher, homilist

Other Employment

- Communications Assistant, Church Divinity School of the Pacific: multimedia, layout and design work
- Teaching Assistant, Claflin Jewelry Studio, Dartmouth College
- Teacher, Summerbridge, San Diego

Other Experience

- Led mission trip to post-Katrina New Orleans
- President of Phi Tau, one of the nation's oldest coeducational Greek organizations
- Eagle Scout
- High school Christian education teacher
- Trained EfM mentor
- Preaching Excellence Program, Episcopal Preaching Foundation
- Founding member, CDSP chapter of the Episcopal Evangelism Network

Education

- Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley, CA: MA Homiletics
- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH: AB English Literature *cum laude*

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I have been caught by Christ the Tiger. Thomas Howard, in his book, *Christ the Tiger*, described the Incarnate Love of God, Jesus, as a tiger that stalks, hunts, and surprises his prey. My sponsoring priest and parish family described watching me “pursue, wrestle with, and be pursued by Christ.” I was taken back with this metaphor. My image of Christ was not one of a stalking tiger! Yes, it’s true,

in much of life I have had to be snagged by the seat of my pants to get my attention. So much to do, so many places to go!

Today, I see Christ as a tigress, keeping a patient and watchful eye on me. There will be further struggles I am sure, as I continue to grow into my inherited tenacity. But now I know that if I get off track, she will lift me up by the scruff of my neck and gently set me down in the direction I need to go. As I complete seminary training and consider my ministry, I hear a call to summon the Church to be a people pursued and caught by the love of Christ the Tiger. Our love will not be timid or tame, for we will know Christ the Tiger.

Ministry Objective

To connect, invite, inspire and unleash the gathered body toward a greater faithfulness in God.

Summary of Qualifications

- Demonstrated passion and commitment to service and honoring the other
- Vision focused problem solver
- Strategic planner, manager, grant writer and fund developer
- Strong pastoral preaching, liturgical and mediation skills

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Blessed mother of a fine young man
- Bridge builder between Japan and America
- Climbed Mt. Rainier!

Church Employment/ Experience

- Seminarian, Church of the Advent of Christ the King, San Francisco, CA: preaching, acolyte, thurifer, officiant, Altar Guild member, Lenten Series workshop presenter, homeless shelter mass lay assistant
- Chaplain, Harborview Medical Center and UW Medical Center, Seattle, WA
- Parishioner, St. Peter’s Church, Seattle, WA: Lay Eucharistic Minister, convention delegate, Episcopal Asian Ministry representative, retreat organizer, hospitality minister, homeless feeding ministry team member

Other Employment

- CDSP: Residential Advisor, Admissions Assistant, Hospitality Team Member
- Judge Pro Tem, Seattle Municipal Court
- Trial attorney, represented indigent defendants in both criminal and non-criminal matters

- Appellate attorney, represented indigent petitioners in Court of Appeals and Washington Supreme Court
- Attorney, represented prisoners held in Washington State Department of Corrections facilities in post-conviction matters and parole board hearings

Other Experience

- CDSP: Diversity and Admissions committees, Board of Trustees Development Committee
- Preaching Excellence Program
- Executive Council of the Episcopal Church, Strategic Planning Committee
- Diocese of Olympia, Anti Racism Task Force, Anti Racism Trainer
- Dioceses of Olympia and California, Anti Racism Trainer
- Duke University Continuing Studies, Non-Profit Management Certificate
- Nikkei Heritage Association of Washington, Board of Directors
- Navajo Public Defender, Window Rock, AZ, Trial Advocacy Trainer
- Asian Bar Association of Washington, Judicial Evaluations Committee

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- Seattle University School of Theology and Ministry, Seattle, WA
- University of Colorado School of Law, Boulder, CO: JD
- Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA: BA

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If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

1 Corinthians 13:1

Earlier in my life, I had given up on the church and didn't have any desire to return after having left it behind when entering college and continuing

in my work career. I was brought back to church, I believe, because of the guidance of the Holy Spirit to an unfamiliar community and an unfamiliar expression of faith, the Episcopal Church. It was my formation experience at St. Bartholomew's Church, a community that took their mission to those on the margins of society seriously, that helped me live into my baptismal covenant. It was my communal and academic experience at CDSP that taught me that faith working through love is difficult but necessary to fulfill the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the being of church. I believe that I am now ready to put my formation of ministry and foundational learning together to continue a multifaceted ministry with love for those finding themselves on the margins for whatever reason and for those who have no voice.

Ministry Objective

To serve in a pastoral to corporate size community, joining with it to navigate differing belief systems, with listening and pastoral concern, through preaching, liturgy, and Christian education.

Summary of Qualifications

- Teaching is learning
- Relevant preaching
- Love of The Episcopal Church
- Organized without fussiness
- Calm presence
- Approachable and hospitable

Noteworthy Accomplishments

- Dean of diocesan high school Summer Camp, teaching reconciliation and the story of creation using a scripture and science based curriculum
- Diocesan Acolyte Festival coordinator
- Six years as a pharmacist with a medical mission team in the mountains of southern Honduras

Church Employment/ Experience

- Head Sacristan, Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA
- Chaplain Intern, California Pacific Medical Center, San Francisco, CA
- Seminarian, St. Matthew's Church, San Mateo, CA: preacher, liturgical chalice, acolyte trainer, adult and youth education leader, contemplative prayer leader, morning prayer leader, acolyte trainer, contemplative prayer leader
- Chaplain assistant, St. Matthew's Day School, San Mateo, CA: worship leader
- Diocese of Atlanta: Standing Committee, finance committee, executive council, board member of the camp and conference

center, liturgy and music committee, Chaplain to 4-day outdoor youth hike

- Parishioner, St. Bartholomew's Church, Atlanta, GA: Junior and Senior Warden, led four youth urban experiences to Paris, led acolytes to National Cathedral Acolyte Festival, Acolyte Warden, co-chair Strategic Development, co-chair rector search, EYC leader, urban adventure leader J2A program, Sunday school teacher, St. Francis Garden creator

Other Employment

- Emergency room/forensic toxicologist, Quest Diagnostics: began as a bench technologist and worked up (managing 70 employees) to division manager of R&D; Analytical supervisor for 1996 Olympic games; greenbelt certified in Six Sigma model

Other Experience

- CDSP: Community Council social chair, middler class co-president, Trustees' Community Life Committee member, small group leader

Education

- Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, CA: MDiv
- University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY: MS Toxicology
- University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY: BS Biology

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